



HARFORD COUNTY 2005 AGRICULTURAL PROFILE

Farm Numbers ¹	1992	1997 ³	2002
Number of Farms	695	733	683
Average Size (acres)	140	129	119
Land in Farms (acres)	97,312	94,806	81,409
Livestock Inventory ¹	1992	1997 ³	2002
Cattle	18,992	17,280	15,923
Hogs	1,238	3,203	2,738
Sheep	3,019	2,920	3,406
2002 Value of Sales ¹			
All Products (\$1,000)			26,094
Milk (\$1,000)			8,523
Nursery & Greenhouse (\$1,000)			5,052
Grains & Oilseeds (\$1,000)			²
Demographic Data ¹	1992	1997 ³	2002
Average Age of Operator	55.5	55.4	56.5
Percent Female Operators	14.0	11.6	17.1
2002 Equine Census			
Number of Equine Places			1,360
Equine Inventory			7,390
Value of Equine Inventory			\$73,115,000

Crop Production Acres Rank among Maryland Counties, 2002 ¹			
Corn for Grain	11	Soybeans	15
Barley	13	Vegetables	10
Forage	5	Wheat	16

Livestock & Poultry Inventories Rank among Maryland Counties, 2002 ¹			
Beef Cattle	5	Milk Cows	6
Broilers	11	Sheep	2
Hogs	5		

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Crop	Year	Acreage Harvested	Yield	Total Production
Corn for Grain (bushels)	2003	19,800	119.3	2,362,200
	2004	20,500	151.9	3,113,800
	2005	19,300	124.5	2,403,100
Corn for Silage (tons)	2003	3,000	16.7	50,000
	2004	3,700	19.1	70,600
	2005	4,000	18.7	74,900
Soybeans (bushels)	2003	11,700	40.9	479,000
	2004	11,500	47.0	540,900
	2005	10,100	36.9	372,500
Wheat (bushels)	2003	2,000	39.8	79,600
	2004	2,300	55.1	126,778
	2005	2,500	70.1	175,300
Hay (tons)	2003	11,800	3.1	37,100
	2004	12,400	3.1	37,900
	2005	10,600	3.1	32,600
Barley (bushels)	2003	600	60.2	36,100
	2004	400	69.8	27,900
	2005	700	69.0	48,300

* Acreage too small to publish.

	2003	2004	2005
Cropland Cash Rents (per acre)	\$74.50	\$79.02	\$83.08

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³ Revised.